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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (canceled).

Claim 2 (previously presented): The electronic money system according to claim 10,

wherein said information card is a non-contact type information card for transmitting/receiving

said money data to/from the plurality of electronic money terminals without any contact with the

electronic money terminals.

Claim 3 (previously presented): The electronic money system according to claim 10,

wherein when said utilization-history data of any of said plurality of electronic money terminals

has been lost, said electronic money management means employs the utilization-history data

from the other electronic money terminals.

Claim 4 (previously presented): The electronic money system according to claim 10,

wherein said electronic money management means makes a comparison of the contents of the

plural data of utilization-histories which have been gathered from said respective electronic

money terminals, and then performs a tabulation in a manner such that the plural utilization-

history data which have coincided with each other at the comparison are treated as one

utilization-history data.

Claims 5-9 (canceled).

Claim 10 (currently amended): An electronic money system comprising:

an information card for storing electronic money data and utilization-history data relating

to deposits or withdrawals of electronic money, money and utilization of the information card;

a plurality of electronic money terminals for withdrawing the money data from the

information card, each of the electronic money terminals operatively reading the utilization-

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history data when said electronic money data is withdrawn from the information card for authorization for withdrawing the money data; and

electronic money management means for gathering the utilization-history data from the electronic money terminals so as to give the information of the utilization-history data to at least one of the other electronic money terminals.

Claim 11 (currently amended): A method for using money in an electronic money system comprising the steps of:

storing electronic money data and utilization-history data relating to deposits or withdrawals of electronic money and utilization of an information card on the information card;

reading the utilization-history data when electronic money data is withdrawn from the information card at any one of a plurality of electronic money terminals for authorization for withdrawing the money data; and

gathering the utilization-history data from the electronic money terminals so as to give the information utilization-history data to at least one of the other electronic money terminals.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The method as defined in claim 11, wherein when said utilization-history data of any one of said plurality of electronic money terminals has been lost, the utilization-history data from the other electronic money terminals is employed.

Claim 13 (previously presented): The method as defined in claim 11, further comprising the steps of:

comparing the contents of the utilization-history data of the plurality of electronic money terminals which have been gathered, and performing a tabulation in a manner such that the plurality of utilization-history data which have coincided with each other when compared are treated as one utilization-history data.

Claim 14 (currently amended): An information card adapted to be used in an electronic money system including a plurality of money terminals for withdrawing money data from the information card and reading utilization-history data when electronic money data is withdrawn Appl. No. 09/512,425

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from the card, and an electronic money manager for gathering the utilization-history data from the electronic money terminals so as to give the information of utilization-history data to at least one of the other electronic money terminals, said information card comprising:

storing means for storing electronic money data and the utilization-history data relating to deposits or withdrawals of electronic money and utilization of the information card <u>for authorizing withdrawal of the money data</u>, at any of the money terminals.

Claim 15 (previously presented): The information card as defined in claim 14, wherein the information card is an IC card.